Darkhast lands for Adi-Dravidas in Punkunam, Wandiwash taluk.

856 Q.—Rao Bahadur M. C. RAJA: With reference to question No. 350 at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 13th November 1922 regarding the darkhast lands for Adi-Dravidas in Punkunam, Wandiwash taluk, will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to lay on the table the result of the Government enquiry?

A.—The Government have nothing to add to the answer to question No. 690 given at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 29th January 1923.

Transfer of Deputy Collectors.

857 Q.—Rao Bahadur M. C. RAJA: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any rule regulating the transfer of Deputy Collectors from district to district once in three years;

(*b*) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to lay the order on the table; and

(*c*) also, whether the Government will be pleased to lay on the table a list of Deputy Collectors who have been allowed to stay in a place or a district for a period of more than three years?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) There is no such rule.

(*c*) A list of Deputy Collectors who have been in their present stations or districts for more than three years is appended.*

The results of retrenchment.

858 Q.—Rao Bahadur M. C. RAJA: Will the hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state what the total financial gain to the Government is as a result of the efforts of the Retrenchment Secretary?

A.—The total financial gain that will accrue from the recommendations of the Retrenchment Committee cannot be arrived at until the Government have passed orders on the Retrenchment Committee's recommendations. So far as next year's budget is concerned, the chief proposal that has been given effect to is the abolition of the Publicity Bureau, with a resultant saving of one lakh of rupees.

The RAJA OF RAMNAD:—"May I know, Sir, when the decision of the Government is likely to be reached, with reference to the proposal made by the Retrenchment Committee?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur:—"Sir, the recommendations of the Retrenchment Committee are not fully in the hands of the Government as yet."

Grant-in-Aid Code and the Educational Rules.

859 Q.—Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGA CHETTIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the Grant-in-Aid Code and the Educational Rules now in force were drafted;

* Vide Appendix B on page 2123 infra.